



THE COUNTY OF KAUAI

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Mayor signs emergency proclamation for March 2020 flood event

Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami has signed an emergency proclamation on April 1, 2020, for the County of Kaua'i – in order to provide relief for disaster damagers, losses and suffering, and to protect the health safety, and welfare of the people – as a result from flash flooding during the March 2020 rain event on March 28.

“After Saturday’s flood that devastated many areas of our island, it is imperative that we as a community now more than ever support one another as we also continue to battle COVID-19,” said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami. “

Essential construction and repairs needed for damaged infrastructure and homes caused by the March 2020 flood are permitted under Mayor’s Emergency Rules #5 related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Kawakami and officials from the Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency (KEMA) surveyed areas around Wailua on Sunday to gauge the extent of the damage from Saturday's flooding event. The County is gathering information to evaluate eligibility for any Federal or State assistance programs based on the extent of damage. Those impacted are urged to report their damages to KEMA using their online reporting tool. Please go to www.kauai.gov/kema and click on the "March 2020 Flood Damage Report" tab, or call KEMA at 241-1800.

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